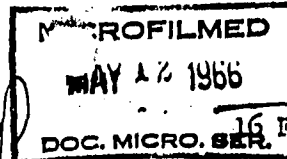


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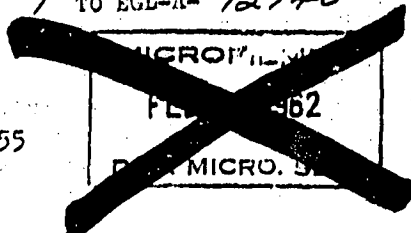
MEMORANDUM TO: G-2, ATTN: Lt. Col. Fox

FROM: SDU

ATTACHMENT 1 TO EGL-A- 12740

SUBJECT: Dr. Walter HARBIG

REFERENCE: G-2, CIC, SDU Conference - 14 February 1955



1. Pursuant to our discussions on 14 February, during which we outlined orally some of the key points covered in a paper on Subject submitted last fall, as well as our current security/CE interest in Subject, we recommend and request that you approve a less formal conference and informational exchange on Subject to be held at the working level between Mr. Parkinson and a member of SDU(U.S.) in the near future. Assuming that it will be possible for CIC to prepare its material by that time, we suggest the first week of March, the exact date to be named by Mr. Parkinson; any day other than Tuesday would be satisfactory to us.

2. In the past, an invitation had been extended to Mr. Parkinson to visit SDU (U.S.), which he was not able to accept at that time. We are happy to state that we consider this invitation still open and to suggest that he take this opportunity to visit us by conferring at our SDU(U.S.) office, if convenient to him. The details can be arranged with DAD LO, who will be happy to escort him and attend simultaneously.

3. Our previous paper and more recent discussions stressed our need for all available information from CIC files on the personality and intelligence activities and contacts of Subject, who is still a member of the GEMLEN Organization, as such of especial interest to us. Some of the key points, by no means all inclusive, follow:

a. What, if any, relationship exists to (SS Col.) HARBIG, born ca. 1889, who was reported attached to the Dachau camp in 1939-1940?

b. When and where did Subject first work in the intelligence field?

c. Was he in fact dismissed from the Abwehr for incompetence in December, 1942? All available information concerning reported circumstances is requested.

d. When, where and for how long was Subject held after World War II by the Czechs? Why was he held? When and why was he released? Was he asked to work for Czech and/or Russian intelligence? Did he accept? All available information, in full detail concerning Eastern imprisonment or control is required.

e. When, where and through whom was Subject recruited for the GEMLEN Organization? All information known to CIC concerning Subject's intelligence activity for the G.O. is requested.

NOTE: Information previously known to SDU(U.S.) has been included in the trace summary paper passed to G-2 and CIC. We shall query the G.O. further, but desire independent reporting from CIC file information to confirm or supplement information from our sources.

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f. Is anything known concerning his reported attempt in fall, 1950, to establish a source in the GDR Economics Ministry? Did he have any contact with East Berlin personnel? Did he go into East Berlin?

g. What did he tell his friend, Wilhelm Friedrich HEINZ, concerning the G.O.?

h. What information, where, when and through whom, did Subject furnish, as reported by CIC, to Emil SZWIERTNIA, Czech agent sentenced for espionage in spring, 1951? Further details on the circumstances are required.

i. In 1951 and possibly before and thereafter, it was reported that F. W. HEINZ was preparing a report for the BfV on the G.O. Also it was reported that Dr. Otto JOHN and Hans Joachim PIETSCH were "investigating" or attempting to penetrate the G.O., using, among others, Friedrich Viktor RISSE. What role, if any, did Subject play in these operations? What information, if any, did he betray?

j. In August, 1952, Subject reported long-time friendship with ("Ministerial-
direktor Dr.) KOETTGEN in Bonn," who, during the Nazi period, had protected (Dr.) PROSKAUER, Pole, in 1952 with Polish Commercial Delegation, Vienna. Can you identify KOETTGEN and PROSKAUER further? Is any derogatory information known about them?

k. Is anything known concerning Subject's activities in Vienna and Berlin in fall of 1952?

l. What is known of Subject's contact to East-West trader Ferdinand WESTERDARZEN and the ATLAS and FRIGALIMENT firms?

m. Is any derogatory information available concerning Subject's son-in-law, Hermann MUELLER O SCHULE, head of the Munich office of the IfG, intelligence net originally run by F. W. HEINZ for Joachim OSTER of the BLANK Office? It has been noted that MUELLER's installation as chief of the IfG Munich office took place under the guidance of Jakob KOLB, who has since fled East as a Soviet agent. What contact, if any, existed between KOLB and Subject?

n. MUELLER's Austrian agent, Alois EDER, has been arrested and has confessed working for the SRIS against the IfG and the G.O., at least. What contact, if any, existed between Subject and EDER?

o. What is known of Subject's activities and contacts in Austria?

p. In addition to these specific questions, we should like to be apprised as soon as possible of any derogatory information that might be available concerning Subject.

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- 1 October 1954: Photo of Subject sent to CIC, along with statement that he had been arrested at end of WW II by the Czechs as "a member of resistance organization 'Wehrwolf'." (32)
- 11 October 1954: G.O. requested SDU(US) lay on intercept coverage. SDU(US) requested authorization examine previous CIC intercepts and receive one copy direct henceforth. (33)
- 4 November 1954: SDU(US) prods DAD LO for reply from CIC. (34)
- 8 November 1954: CIC has completed study STONE, MUELLER, PIETSCH. Decision re intercepts HARBICH pending completion CIC study HARBICH case. CIC will pass recommendations to G-2. (35)
- 22 November 1954: Further prod by SDU(US).
- 26 November 1954: HARBICH case and intercepts will be ready o/a 1 December. (36)
- 14 January 1955: Further prod by SDU(US), directed for action to G-2, requesting replies, institution for SDU(US) of intercepts on HARBICH and authorization deal directly with CIC Munich and Stuttgart. (37)
- 19 January 1955: HARBICH flown by SDU(US) to Vienna.
- 19 January 1955: CIC Munich querying DAD Salzburg, thru CIC Salz., knowledge and interest Walter HARBICH. (38)
- 20 January 1955: Last item above relayed DAD LO, G-2; further prodding of G-2 requested. (39)
- NOTE: By this time HARBICH, along with leader of his field base, has been pulled out and isolated. He is to be a "reporter on East German and Austrian scene, directly under GW., chief of political intelligence, Hqs." COMMENT: Move up, further penetration if sour.
- 24 January 1955: Alois EDER, subordinate of Hermann MUELLER & SCHULZ, arrested in Freilassing as Soviet agent. EDER confessed he had been working as KRIS agent for some time, with missions including taping and penetration of IfG, BLANK Office and G.O.
- 26 January 1955: HARBICH scheduled to fly back ^{from Vienna} via SDU(US) facility; did not appear at airstrip.
- 27 January 1955: HARBICH rode back by train through Sovzone, Austria.

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